

REMARKS

An Article 34 amendment to the claims is filed concurrently herewith.

Claims 1-24 are currently amended.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, clarify claim language, and to improve the readability of the claims.

Support for claims 1-24 can be found in claims 1-24, the specification, and the Article 34 amendment as originally filed.

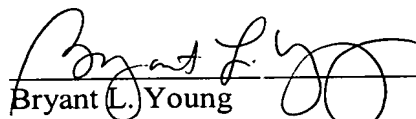
The specification has been amended to show the relationship between the present application, International Application No. PCT/FR03/02326, and French Application No. 02/09727, which are incorporated by reference.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-24 will be active in this application.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the amendments. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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